



first baptist church

CHATTANOOGA GATEWAY

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March 11, 2026

401 Gateway Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37402

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www.fbcchattanooga.org

Worship Care Workers
March 15, 2026
 for babies, toddlers, & preschoolers

John Echols
Jeanne Alley



Deacon Greeters

1. Joe Everett
2. Roberta Echols

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 15, 2026

Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM



HONEST QUESTIONS
Deeper Faith

Worship at First

Streamed and in-person

10:50AM
SONGS OF COMMUNITY
CHERYL McAFEE, ORGAN

11:00AM
Dr. Thomas Quisenberry
 John 9:1-12
Who Needs Healing?

ORGAN RESTORATION UPDATE

Our organ just spent two days with the Stephen L Emery Organ company. Over those two days, Steve and Michael Emery completed a full tuning of every pipe (over 2800), made some minor repairs, and performed a complete assessment of the current state of the organ.



Steve Emery is a nationally known organ builder, tuner, restorer who specializes in Aeolian Skinner organs. He shared repeatedly throughout his time here what a joy it was to spend time with our organ and what a special instrument it is. He also was impressed that the pipe work is in phenomenal condition for its age. As expected the tuners did find additional parts, those with limited life-spans, that were showing considerable signs of age, but the

organ is currently fully functional and sounding as wonderful as ever.

I am thrilled to report that we have almost \$125,000 in our Organ Restoration Fund, a great start on our way to what is needed to fully restore this majestic, historic instrument. I am grateful to everyone who has contributed or continues to regularly contribute to the fund. I encourage others to do the same. We are in the process of identifying grants that can be written to assist with the cost as well. I am confident that we can, as a church family, raise the funds needed to bring our organ back to its original glory and condition. If you ever have questions or suggestions, I am always available to talk. See (and hear) you on Sunday! ~ Jeff



The FBC group of volunteers for **Habitat for Humanity** will be working at 46 W 35th St (37410) this Friday, March 13, beginning at 8:30AM. We'll be cleaning and painting both interior and exterior until 1:00PM. Then we'll set up for the dedication! Our group works the 2nd Friday of each month. If you're interested in joining us or have questions, please contact Jim McAfee: 423.802.5011.

Floral needs for Palm and Easter Sundays

We'll commemorate Jesus entering Jerusalem with waving palm branches on March 29 and celebrate his resurrection with a flowered cross on April 5. We'll also adorn our worship space with lilies. To help cover these costs, **you are invited to place donations in honor or in memory of a loved one. Lilies are \$13 each; all other donations will be applied to palms and flowers for the cross.** Order forms will be available around the church and on our website. **Please place your request by Thursday, March 26.** You may also pay for your order online using the QR code on p. 2, and then confirm your memorial or honorarium by emailing Patty Spells (patty@fbcchattanooga.org).

COOL KIDS COLLECTIVE (grades 3-5) is meeting on **Sunday, March 29**, from 12:30-2:30PM for an afternoon of Karaoke fun. We'll meet in E109, the Children's Hangout Room. **Lunch will be hamburgers, French fries, and dessert.** Then we'll sing along to some of our favorite tunes and have a small devotional. Questions? Contact Kelly (561.252.2969 / kelly@fbcchattanooga.org).



Church Family Concerns

(Updated from prayer requests and by office staff; not listed in order of priority)

The multitude of folks all over the world without food, water, shelter, safety

Those affected by justice & human rights issues; immigration issues

Those affected by unrest, invasions, and conflicts in their countries

Mary Jayne Allen and family

Tim Burton

Mary Carol Campbell

Bobby Colvin

Sue Crockett

Doug (hospice) & Martha Eaves

Robin Gray

Pollye Gross

Debarah Harbuck & family

John Hunt

Linda & Dan Johnson

Ed Nichols

Vic Oakes

Melissa Phillips

Annette Spinks

John Steele

Lynn Strong

Penny Tullock

Alice Turner

Virginia Wagnon (hospice)

Tom Williams, Sr.

Lisa and Mark Wojnovich and family

Steve Yantis

Karen, Rose Thomas's friend

Chelsea Darras, Dan Mayfield's niece

Ruth Dayhuff, Marian Herdzina's friend

Larry Dickey, Regina Koller's friend

Kelly Digby, Lila Knauth's niece

Rachel Fagan, Stephanie & David Daley's niece

Montana Freeman, Robin Gray's daughter

Illuminada (Ilain) Gentry, Cordelle Terrell's friend

Allie Hammond, Grady Worley's niece

Laurie Haynes

Anthony Henderson's father, Ronald (Anthony, FBC custodian)

Charlie Hill, Jan Varnell's friend

Dora Hunter, Jane Lewis' niece

Mark Jackson, Robin Gray's friend

Janet Kolwick & family, Barbara Koller's sister

Nancy & Jim Lewis, Doug Lewis's brother and sister-in-law

Teresa Longer, Sandra & Charlie Longer's daughter-in-law

Margie Mayfield, Dan Mayfield's mother

Holly Harris Misirly, Sharon & Emily Tousek's relative

Ron Mitchell, Wilbourne Markham's friend

Kathy Pohutsky and Cindy, Kenneth Webster's mother & sister

Lance Robbins, Tom McCullough's friend

David Stewart, the Markham's friend

Joseph "Stroud" Watson (hospice) & family (Bryony Stroud-Watson, SFA)

Cathy Suarez, Rusty Rouse's friend

Bill Tate, Regina Schwall's father

Shirley Thomas, Cordelle Terrell's friend

Connie Trowbridge, Sean Pickett's cousin

Ed Wade, Brenda Underwood's cousin



SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 11

5:30 pm	Bring Your Own Supper	Fellowship Hall
7:15 pm	House & Grounds Cmte	Conference Rm
7:15 pm	Personnel Committee	E211

Babies / Toddlers

6:00 pm	Childcare	E104
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Preschoolers

6:15 pm	Preschool Music & Missions	E107
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Children (K-5th grade)

6:15 pm	Children's Choir	E111
7:00 pm	Gym Time	Gym

Youth

6:15 pm	Youth Gathering	Youth Area
7:00 pm	Gym Time	Gym

Adults

6:15 pm	Epiphanies (study/discussion/action)	E217
	<i>Braving the Truth</i> ("Why I Can't Stay Angry")	
	by Rachel Held Evans	
	Facilitated by Alishea Hixson	
6:15 pm	Midweek Study	FH
	Faces of Our Faith: The Daughters of Zelophehad	
	Numbers 27 1, 5	
	Facilitated by Thomas Quisenberry	

FINANCE REPORT (for March 11, 2026)

Budget receipts in the mail	\$ 8,790.05
Budget receipts digitally/online	4,085.00
BUDGET RECEIPTS for the week	\$ 12,875.05
Designated offerings	\$8,218.40
Total offering for this week	\$ 21,093.45
YTD Revenue	\$166,028.17
YTD Expenses	\$209,936.41



With this QR code, you can donate to our budget, pay for event tickets, give to a mission opportunity, and more. Please contact the church office with any questions.



Mar. 13	Jim Hamilton
Mar. 16	Don Manning Joshua Weaver
Mar. 17	Emily Darr Emma Mullins
Mar. 20	Mike Carroll Virginia Wagnon
Mar. 22	Amy Dean
Mar. 24	Doran Carrell
Mar. 27	Stan Miller Rachel Tester
Mar. 28	Phyllis Miller
Mar. 30	Bill Roddy
Mar. 31	John Hunt

NOTE-WORTHY FRIENDS

(They'd love a note from you.)

Patti Gross

671 Alexian Way Rm 614

Signal Mtn, TN 37377

Maggie Hansel

2502 Avalon Cir

Chattanooga, TN 37415

Barbara Koller (correct address)

1067 Battlefield Pkwy #308A

Ft. Oglethorpe, GA 30742

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Tyler Cain, Virginia Condry Ledman

Jamie Fitch, Matthew Hellier

Coty Kissinger, Michael Land

Keith Mays, Nathan Skidmore



The Scholarship Committee of First Baptist Church of Chattanooga is pleased to administer **The Greg & Edith Yantis Scholarship** and to request applications for it. Generous donations by the Yantis family have made this scholarship possible.

Recipients are selected annually by the Scholarship Committee, based on available funds and on need / merit, from the pool of current applicants. Students seeking higher education of any kind who are members of First Baptist Church may apply.

Application Deadline - 5:00PM, Thursday, April 19, 2026

If you have not received an application already, you may request one from Lizzie Alford in the church office (lizzie@fbcchattanooga.org / 423.648.2542). Completed applications and all supporting documents should be returned to Lizzie Alford by hand delivery, postal service or email. Please refer to the application for additional information. Contact Lizzie Alford with any questions.

Our congregation partners with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and CBF of Tennessee. cbf.net

ON THE CALENDAR, MAR. 12 – MAR. 25

Friday, March 13	
Habitat for Humanity Workday	8:30AM
Sunday, March 15	
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9:00AM
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
Songs of Community	10:50AM
Worship – 4 th Sunday in Lent	11:00AM
Adult Ministry Luncheon	12:15PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	5:00PM
No Youth Activities – Spring Break	
Tuesday, March 17	
Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
Moving Forward CJC Classes	5:30PM
GriefShare	6:30PM
Wednesday, March 18	
FBC Serves at the CHATT Foundation	11:00AM
No Evening Activities – Spring Break	
Thursday, March 19	
Shower Ministry	2:00PM
Finance Committee (via Zoom)	4:30PM
Sunday, March 22	
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9:00AM
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
Songs of Community	10:50AM
Worship – 5 th Sunday in Lent	11:00AM
Youth Activities	4:30PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM
Tuesday, March 24	
Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
Lunch & Learn	11:00AM
Deacon Council Meeting	5:30PM
Moving Forward CJC Classes	5:30PM
Tuesday Book Group (off campus)	6:00PM
GriefShare	6:30PM
Wednesday, March 25	
Fellowship Time (BYOF)	5:30PM
Preschool Music/Missions	6:15PM
Children's Choir	6:15PM
Youth Gathering	6:15PM
Epiphanies (study/discussion/action)	6:15PM
Midweek Study (Pastor led)	6:15PM
Gym Time	7:00PM



FBC Ministerial & Office Support Staff

Dr. Thomas Quisenberry	Senior Pastor	
Rev. Jeff Parker	Minister of Music & Worship	
Rev. Kelly Kurf	Interim Minister of Youth & Children	
David Daley	Facilities Supervisor	423.648.2548
Lila Knauth	Financial Associate	423.648.2547
Patty Spells	Church Administrative Assistant	423.265.2257
Lizzie Alford	Education Administrative Ass't	423.648.2542
Frances Marandi	Music Administrative Assistant	423.648.2543



CHILDREN'S
FAMILY
FUN NIGHT

